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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED NOVEMBER 3, 2006

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application and in response to the Office Action mailed November 3, 2006, kindly enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks toward reconsideration of the present application. A Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed, extending the deadline for responding to the Office Action to March 5, 2007 (March 3, 2007 falls on a Saturday). Therefore, this Response is considered timely.